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To the Honorable Council City of Norfolk, Virginia

R-18

Re: Tax Overpayment Seven Hills, Inc.

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Attached please find an ordinance directing the City Treasurer to refund to Seven Hills, Inc., \$5,012.56 based upon the overpayment of Business Personal Property Taxes for the years 2011 and 2012, resulting in a refund due of \$5,012.56, plus interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernard A. Pishko

City Attorney

Recommendation: Adopt Ordinance

5/1/14mr

Form and Correctness Approved:

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Contents Approved:

By

Pursuant to Section 72 of the City Charter, I hereby certify that the money required for this item is in the city treasury to the credit of the fund from which it is drawn and not appropriated for any other purpose.

\$ 5,012.56

000-105-020-402

Director of Finance

Account 15/19/14

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

BCM

ORDINANCE No.

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE CITY TREASURER TO ISSUE A REFUND TO SEVEN HILLS, INC. BASED UPON THE OVERPAYMENT OF BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEARS OF 2011 AND 2012.

WHEREAS the Commissioner of the Revenue has determined that business personal property taxes were erroneously overpaid by Seven Hills, Inc. for tax years 2011 and 2012, and has corrected this assessment in accordance with Virginia Code § 58.1-3981; and

WHEREAS the Commissioner of the Revenue has certified with the consent of the City Attorney that the aforementioned taxpayer paid all taxes due on the erroneous assessment and is entitled to a refund of excess taxes paid based on the corrected assessment in the amount of \$5,012.56, plus interest;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That \$5,012.56 is hereby appropriated for a refund to Seven Hills, Inc. for tax years 2011 and 2012;

Section 2:- That the Treasurer of the City of Norfolk is hereby directed to refund to Seven Hills, Inc. in the amount specified above as soon as

practicable upon passage of this ordinance.

Section 3:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its adoption.

Norfolk Commissioner of the Revenue Certification and Request for the Refund Of Previously Paid Tax to:

Seven Hills, Inc.

Account # 115538/045708

April 14, 2014

Overview:

Seven Hill Inc. had two locations on the Norfolk Naval Base. The Naval Exchange location was discontinued when the Exchange closed for renovations 2010. Seven Hills was statutorily assessed business personal taxes for the years 2011 and 2012. Seven Hills paid the statutory tax assessments despite removing its equipment from Norfolk in 2010. The Commissioner of the Revenue's office has confirmed the taxpayer is not located in the Navy Exchange.

In compliance with **Norfolk Code § 24-7**, the Commissioner of the Revenue's files pertaining to this request are available for inspection by the City Attorney.

Fiscal Impact:

This refund reduces **Business Personal Property** revenue by **\$5,012.56** for the 2014 fiscal year.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that the City Attorney consent to the issuance of the refund and call for City Council to direct the City Treasurer to refund the **Business Personal Property** overpayment of \$5,012.56.

Certification

I, C. Evans Poston, Jr., Commissioner of the Revenue for the City of Norfolk, certify that the above named company is due a refund in the amount of \$5,012.56 as specified by <u>Virginia Code §58.1-3981</u> due to the overpayment of <u>Business</u> <u>Personal Property Taxes.</u>

C. Evans Poston, Jr., Commissioner of the Revenue

Bernard Pishko, City Attorney